

WNTC, WCCT Merge; Produce Better Listening

Since its beginning in 1947, WNTC has more than doubled in size. The campus radio station has a larger staff, more offices, and has increased the value of its equipment and record library.

WNTC has broadened its range of listeners, broadcasting to the State University campus and several fraternity houses. All the Clarkson hockey games and the State basketball home games have been covered, in addition to the Cortland State tournament and Plattsburgh State basketball game at Plattsburgh. WNTC has carried special events at the State campus, such as dances, concerts, and the opening of the lounge in the Student Union building.

WNTC's main goal is to provide a variety of music ranging from rock-and-roll to dinner music. With the introduction of morning programming, expansion of news and sports coverage and expansion of commercial coverage to include local merchants, WNTC has provided its staff with the opportunity to learn all aspects of radio work.

WCCT is a comparatively new station, founded last spring by a group of students whose

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aim was to provide good music to study by with a minimum of announcing. Ted Perkins is president and Roy Krause is the technical director. Equipment was almost entirely constructed by the 35-man staff, and is located on the first floor, Men's Residence, at Clarkson.

A merger between WNTC and WCCT is now in effect. The new organization known as Inter-College Radio Network held elections on April 25 for positions on the Executive Committee: William Cleverly, president; Richard Christian, business manager; Roy Krouse, technical director; Bob Stolte, secretary; Gary Heyey and Edd Bailey were recognized as station managers of WCCT, and WNTC respectively.

Although competition between the two stations was advantageous since it kept both groups perfecting their broadcasting, a merger was necessary. Duplication of records, tapes, and commercials can be avoided. With such a large number of listeners a variety of music is necessary and would be recognized in this merger.

The central office will be located in Snell Hall, present headquarters of WNTC. There will be one management staff and a separate staff for each of the stations.